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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS FOR A SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH INFRAGARD LOS ANGELES MEMBERS ALLIANCE, INCORPORATED TO PROVIDE THE LOS ANGELES JOINT REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WITH CONSULTING SERVICES TO MITIGATE ALL-HAZARD BASED THREATS, RISK, AND LOSS

SUBJECT

This letter provides advance notification to your Board that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) intends to enter into negotiations without engaging in a competitive solicitation process for a Sole Source Agreement (Agreement) with InfraGard Los Angeles Members Alliance, Incorporated (InfraGard) for a consultant to the Los Angeles Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC), for a term of five years, at an annual cost of \$250,000.

BACKGROUND

On November 14, 2006, Los Angeles County (County) accepted a grant from the California State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP), which was used to subvent 100 percent of the costs for consultant services. The current agreement was approved by your Board on May 29, 2007, for a term of one year, and a Maximum Contract Sum of \$150,000. On May 20, 2008, your Board approved a five-year extension to the agreement, with a Maximum Contract Sum of \$1,130,000. The agreement expires on May 31, 2013.

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JRIC is a cooperative body of local public safety agencies tasked with the gathering and sharing of strategic information and data related to terrorism threats in the County, and the formulation of rapid responses to mitigate such threats by enlisting the support of the private sector.

InfraGard will provide services to the County by employing and managing a consultant for JRIC. The consultant with be responsible for the administrative and operational coordination of JRIC critical infrastructure functions in support of JRIC committees and initiatives.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The amount for the services provided through this Agreement will be \$250,000 annually. The Agreement will be 100 percent funded by the SHSGP for 2011 and 2012. There is no cost-share or matching fund requirement.

SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION

InfraGard will provide consultant administrative services for the further development and expansion of JRIC outreach into the private sector, including the development, training, exercise, and implementation of efforts between JRIC and the seven regional counties it serves (Los Angeles, Orange, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, San Bernardino, and Riverside) with regards to critical infrastructure and key resource security.

The current consulting Agreement was procured on a Sole Source basis based upon InfraGard's unique qualifications and special expertise to provide a consultant for the specific services required. InfraGard is a non-profit California corporation established for the purpose of mitigating all hazard based threats, risk, and loss. InfraGard was created by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, where it provides services to the same seven Southern California counties. InfraGard is the only national organization staffed by 100 percent-vetted private sector industry leaders who represent each of the same 17 critical infrastructure categories recognized by Los Angeles law enforcement agencies.

InfraGard has nationwide experience in establishing public and private partnerships to counter and respond to national security threats. InfraGard specializes in coordinating the resources and expertise of private businesses with the needs of government agencies responsible for public safety.

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CONCLUSION

Pursuant to Board policy, the Department will engage in Sole Source negotiations with InfraGard in two weeks unless otherwise instructed by your Board. Should additional information be requested, your staff may contact Manager Angelo Faiella, Contracts Unit, at (323) 526-5183.

Sincerely)

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